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July 3, 2007

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Re:

Perkins Mountain Utility Company and Perkins Mountain Water Company Applications for

Certificates of Convenience and Necessity;

Docket Nos. SW-20379A-05-0489 and W-20380A-05-0490

### Dear Colleagues:

I realize that the hearing has concluded in this matter but recent articles have raised some additional issues that I feel need to be addressed, particularly the alleged payments from developer Jim Rhodes to former Clark County Commissioner Erin Kenney. I have attached these articles to my letter.

Additional questioning of Mr. Rhodes and possible others, under oath, regarding Mr. Rhodes' connection with Ms. Kenney will be necessary for me to be able to make a determination whether or not the Perkins Mountain companies, which are fully controlled by Mr. Rhodes, are fit and proper entities to operate in Arizona. Please join me in requesting that the Administrative Law Judge for this case issue a procedural order setting dates for additional hearings.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

William A. Mundell, Commissioner Arizona Corporation Commission

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## **Bombshell Testimony Rocks Government Bribery Case**

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**Bombshell Testimony Rocks Government Bribery Case** 

It's a tawdry case of bribery and corruption at the highest levels of Clark County government, and Wednesday major bombshells from an unlikely place -- an accountant.



The man on trial faces charges of bribing a former County Commissioner, Some pretty damaging testimony, not only for real estate consultant Donald Davidson, but also for former commissioner Erin Kenny. Davidson stands accused of bribing Kenny in exchange for some helpful votes.

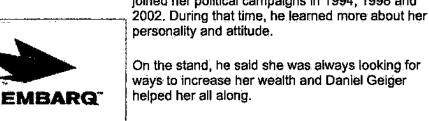
Wednesday, the man behind the scenes, accountant Daniel Geiger, was under fire for his near two-decade long professional and personal relationship with Kenny.

Gelger said he met Kenny for the first time in 1988

when they worked in the same office complex.

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Each year, he did her tax returns and eventually joined her political campaigns in 1994, 1998 and

> On the stand, he said she was always looking for ways to increase her wealth and Daniel Geiger helped her all along.

He admitted that beginning with the 1998 campaign, he lied on campaign contribution documents. He would only report part of the money that came in, keeping the rest a secret. By his own admission, he "cooked the books" for years.

Donald Davidson stands accused of giving Kenny \$200,000 for help in zoning changes. Geiger says he helped coordinate an off-shore trust to hold the money and then funnel it to Kenny In 2001.

That trust was originally planned for Israel and then moved to the Cook Islands off the coast of New Zealand. After security concerns from 9/11, Cook Islands planned



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to disclose all participants in trusts. That sent a wave of panic through the Davidson and Kenny camps.

At that point, the groups decided to create a limited liability corporation in Arizona to take the money and then transfer it to Erin Kenny's 2002 Lieutenant Governor campaign.

While this testimony certainly hurts both Davidson and Kenny, Gelger has already been through the ringer. He is facing a 20-year-term for a form of wire fraud and Wednesday's testimony may help reduce his sentence.

But for these ongoing cases, it just seems like the rabbit hole keeps getting deeper.

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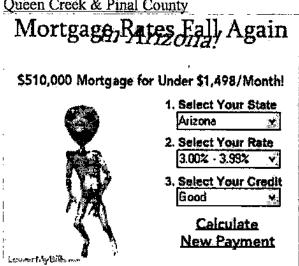
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# E.V. developer paying disgraced ex-Nevada politician

## Mark Flatten, Tribune

Developer Jim Rhodes, who bought more than 1,000 acres of prime state trust land in Apache Junction last December, is paying more than \$200,000 annually to a former Nevada county official who admitted taking bribes, according to her testimony in a Las Vegas criminal court.

Erin Kenny testified that she has been on Rhodes' payroll as a consultant since January 2003 — a few months before she was busted by federal authorities for taking bribes from Las Vegas strip club owner Michael Galardi. Kenny later cut a deal with federal prosecutors and pleaded guilty to taking payoffs from Galardi while she was on the Clark County Commission.

The Tribune reported on Rhodes' relationships with Kenny and other Nevada politicians implicated in the federal investigation in a three-part series published in April.

Kenny testified Thursday in an unrelated trial involving a real estate consultant, who is charged with paying her \$200,000 in return for favorable treatment while she was on the commission.

### **FUNNELING ACCUSATION**

Rhodes also was accused Thursday of secretly funneling \$100,000 in unreported campaign contributions to Kenny during her unsuccessful campaign for lieutenant governor in 2002, according to accounts of the trial published in the Las Vegas Review-Journal.

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Last December, Rhodes was the successful bidder on the state trust land near Ironwood Drive and Baseline Road in Apache Junction.

Aside from the roughly 1,000 acres he bought, Rhodes won the right to master plan an additional 6,700 acres of state land in the area known as Lost Dutchman Heights. That is the first sale in a 275-square-mile swath of state land that extends as far south as Florence, considered among the most valuable holdings in the state's portfolio.

The trust land is managed largely for the benefit of public schools and universities.

Kenny said she works on projects for Rhodes and provides him with advice on dealing with government agencies.

Lisa Urias, a public relations consultant for Rhodes in Arizona, said she did not have any comment on Kenny's claims. Urias did say any donations made by Rhodes to Kenny's campaign were "legal and proper."

"I don't know what she did or didn't do, but anything that we donated we did it properly," Urias said.

Chris Stephens, a vice president of Rhodes Homes in Las Vegas, would not comment.

There is no indication Kenny has any involvement in the Lost Dutchman Heights project, or in Rhodes' efforts to build more than 130,000 homes in five city-sized subdivisions in Mohave County, according to company representatives and elected officials familiar with Rhodes' efforts here.

But the revelations from Nevada will trigger efforts to reopen hearings on his applications to operate a water and sewer company to serve two of his developments in Mohave County.

## CASE COULD REOPEN

For two years the Arizona Corporation Commission has been mulling whether to issue the permits to Rhodes. Commissioners are weighing whether he is of "fit and proper" character to operate a regulated utility in Arizona.

The portion of the case in which testimony is taken and documents are submitted to the commission has been closed. However, Commissioners Bill Mundell and Kris Mayes said Friday they will seek to have it reopened so they can investigate Kenny's statements and perhaps call Rhodes to testify.

Rhodes voluntarily testified in April after Mayes threatened to have him subpoenaed.

Mayes said Friday she is again prepared to have him subpoensed if he does not cooperate in a new round of commission hearings. Rhodes' connections to Kenny have not come up in the commission's case.

"I'm deeply troubled by these disclosures," Mundell said when informed of Kenny's testimony. "I believe we need to send our case back so that we can have additional questions of Mr. Rhodes under oath regarding his connections with Erin Kenny."

Mayes called Kenny's testimony "disturbing information" that warrants further investigation.

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Kenny was elected to the Clark County Commission in 1994. The commission has jurisdiction over unincorporated areas that encompass most of the Las Vegas area. In the last two years of Kenny's term alone, Rhodes had more than 20 items related to his developments in front of the commission.

Kenny did not seek re-election in 2002, but ran unsuccessfully lieutenant governor. The day after she left office in January 2003, Kenny was working as a consultant and lobbyist for Rhodes.

The federal investigation of strip club owner Galardi and his dealings with corrupt politicians became public in May 2003.

Kenny confessed when confronted by investigators that she had accepted bribes from Galardi and a developer unrelated to Rhodes.

She and Galardi, who also reached a plea deal, were the key witnesses against three other former commissioners.

During his interrogation by the FBI, Galardi alleged that Rhodes admitted to him that he had secretly been paying Kenny \$20,000 per month while she was on the commission. When the Tribune asked Rhodes last April about that allegation, Rhodes replied, "he's a bald-faced liar, Michael Galardi."

#### PAYMENTS ALLEGED

In her testimony Thursday, Kenny said Rhodes began paying her \$15,000 per month immediately after she left the commission, according to the Review-Journal. After she pleaded guilty to taking bribes and started cooperating with federal investigators, Rhodes raised the payments to \$16,800 per month, about \$201,600 per year.

In other testimony last week, Kenny's former campaign finance manager and accountant said Rhodes secretly paid \$100,000 into Kenny's 2002 campaign for lieutenant governor, unreported donations used to cover her theft of campaign funds.

Kenny did report \$110,000 in donations from Rhodes and his companies during the 2002 campaign.

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# Kenny receiving \$201,600 Rhodes salary

# Consulting job with developer revealed in testimony at Davidson trial

By ADRIENNE PACKER REVIEW-JOURNAL



Erin Kenny, the former Clark County commissioner who has admitted to being corrupt while she was in office, listens to a prosecutor's question Thursday while testifying in the federal trial of 73-year-old real estate consultant Donald Davidson.

Illustration by David Stroud.

Former Clark County Commissioner Erin Kenny, who complained last year that she was serving a sentence in a "public jail," revealed Thursday that Rhodes Ranch developer Jim Rhodes has been paying her \$16,800 a month to work as a consultant.

Rhodes, one of Nevada's largest homebuilders, offered Kenny a job in January 2003, after she surrendered her seat on the commission to embark on an unsuccessful bid for lieutenant governor. Rhodes initially paid Kenny \$15,000 a month, according to her testimony.

After Kenny pleaded guilty to accepting bribes from strip club owner Michael Galardi and began cooperating with federal authorities in 2003, Rhødes upped her pay to \$201,600 a year.

Kenny, who is awaiting sentencing, said she works on projects for Rhodes and provides him with advice on

government services.

Kenny, 46, disclosed her payments from the prominent developer during her testimony as a witness for the prosecution in the corruption trial of real estate consultant Donald Davidson. Davidson is charged with paying Kenny \$200,000 cash for pushing through a zone change and

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special use permit allowing for a CVS Pharmacy.

The federal government also charged him with delivering \$3,000 a month to Kenny for three years after she lobbied in favor of a casino in the Spring Valley neighborhood.

Earlier Thursday, Kenny's former accountant and campaign finance manager, Daniel Geiger, testified that Davidson wasn't the only person from whom Kenny received payments. Geiger told jurors that Kenny also received \$100,000 from Rhodes.

Geiger testified that Kenny withdrew money from her campaign coffers for her personal expenses. He explained that since Kenny began that illegal practice in 1998, he had reduced the amount of contributions to balance the books.

But at the end of 2001, Kenny's campaign contribution report was off by \$100,000.

"I told Erin, 'At some point we're going to have to deal with the fact that funds came out of the campaign," Geiger testified. "I told her I was short."

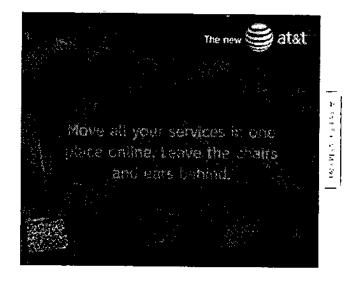
Geiger said Kenny called upon Rhodes, her most generous campaign contributor.

"She called Rhodes and said not all of his contributions were going to show up on the contributions report," Geiger said.

The matter wasn't delved into further in court because Davidson's lawyer Dominic Gentile objected to additional testimony as hearsay.

Kenny's relationship with Rhodes was controversial when she was a county commissioner, from 1995 through 2002.

In 1997, Kenny and her



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chiropractor husband purchased a home in Rhodes Ranch. Throughout her term, her votes consistently favored the developer, and she once appeared at a county staff meeting to lobby in favor of a Rhodes project. Staff members told the media they believed the unusual move was an intimidation tactic.



Prosecutors did not question
Kenny about her relationship with
Rhodes, but they contend Kenny
and Davidson forged an illicit relationship in about 2001.

Davidson was the vice president of Triple Five Nevada Development Corp., a company seeking to build a casino in the Spring Valley neighborhood.

After Kenny successfully lobbied for the project in January 2000, she said Eskander Ghermezian, a Canadian billionaire, visited her and explained he owed her "a life debt." Kenny said in about April of that year, she began creating brochures for Triple Five.

Davidson delivered \$3,000 a month to her, even though she worked only about three hours a month, she said. She soon became ill and suffered from vertigo, which she later said has caused memory loss. She was bedridden for months.

"I became ill and didn't work, but he didn't stop paying me," Kenny sald of Davidson.

From mid-2000 through 2002, Kenny and Davidson met monthly for coffee or breakfast, she said. Each time, he quietly slid an envelope full of cash across the table.

In 2001, Davidson sought a zoning change on five acres at Buffalo Drive and Desert Inn Road on behalf of land broker Tommy Fehrman.

Commercial zoning was critical to Fehrman, who stood to make \$1.5 million in a sale of 1.5 acres to CVS Pharmacy.

Fehrman offered Davidson a total of \$500,000 in incentives to lobby for the zoning change and a special use permit allowing for larger signs and a driveway off a residential street.

A 2006 indictment charges Davidson with paying Kenny \$200,000 for her assistance in pushing through the zoning change. Kenny voted for the project without disclosing the payments she was receiving from Davidson.

During the Nov. 7, 2001, meeting where the zoning change was approved, Kenny chided opponents to the amendment. She spoke sarcastically about how some residents, who once objected to a new adjacent housing development, had joined forces with that very same group of homeowners.

Geiger told jurors Wednesday that he and Davidson's son, Lawrence Davidson, established a trust account in the Cook Islands to hide the Illegal payoff Kenny collected from the CVS zone change.

On Thursday, Kenny said she knew few details about that account.

In describing the account, Kenny spoke softly, displaying a demeaner far different from the feisty and sometimes arrogant attitude heard on the audio recording played in court.

"I didn't want to know," she said of the off-shore account. "It was such a bad thing, I refused to look at it deeply. It wasn't how I was raised and it wasn't what I should have done."

Under Kenny's plea agreement, she faces no more than five years in prison and must forfeit \$70,000. Kenny, who pleaded guilty to wire fraud, bribery and conspiracy charges, testified last year that she has not paid taxes on the cash she pocketed. She never reported any of the illegal payments on her campaign finance disclosure forms, she said.

Last year, Kenny testified against her former colleagues Mary Kincaid-Chauncey and Dario Herrera, who were convicted of taking bribes from Galardi. Galardi and former commissioner Lance Malone, who served as Galardi's bagman, signed plea deals.

Kincaid-Chauncey is serving 30 months in jail, Herrera is serving a 51-month term and Malone recently began a six-year prison term. Galardi, who received 30 months, is scheduled to turn himself in July 6.

#### JUDGE ALLOWS DAVIDSON DEFENSE QUESTIONS

U.S. District Judge Roger Hunt changed his mind Thursday and allowed a line of questioning that Donald Davidson's lawyer said was key to his client's defense. But by the end of the day, the turnabout didn't appear to have helped Davidson much.

On Wednesday, Hunt had denied attorney Dominic Gentile's request to ask former Clark County Commissioner Erin Kenny's accountant, Daniel Geiger, about whether Kenny had expected a payment of \$200,000 in mid-2002.

Gentile had contended that if he could get into that, it would cause jurors to question whether his client was the source of a \$200,000 payment made to Kenny in 2001. The federal government charged Davidson with paying Kenny that money for voting in favor of a zoning change that allowed for a controversial CVS Pharmacy.

Gentile claims that Kenny was offered another \$200,000 in mid-2002 if she pushed through a zoning change that would have allowed for a housing development to be built under McCarran International Airport's flight paths. The vote initially passed but was rescinded after Kenny left office.

Gentile said only one individual -- land broker Tommy Fehrman -- had an interest in both the CVS project and the housing development. Davidson was involved in the first deal but not the second, Gentile said. Geiger testified Wednesday that he learned of the first payment from Kenny's father, Charles Callin, who then helped Geiger establish a secret trust fund to hide the illicit payment.

Gentile hoped Geiger would tell jurors that the first payment and the second promise of a payment came from the same source.

Geiger recalled Callin informing him of a second \$200,000 payment that Kenny expected in 2002.

But when Gentile asked whether the two payments were expected from the same source, Geiger said the source was never discussed with him.

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# Kenny again cites memory loss

## Ex-commissioner answers few defense questions at Davidson trial

By ADRIENNE PACKER REVIEW-JOURNAL



Former Clark County Commissioner Erin Kenny testifies Friday in the trial of real estate consultant Donald Davidson in federal court. Illustration by David Stroud.



Donald Davidson Real estate consultant subject of testimony in federal court

In late 2002, a battle between Clark County commissioners erupted over a proposed housing development beneath busy airport flight paths.

Then-Commissioner Erin Kenny was determined to rezone the property for homes despite strong objections from McCarran International Airport and county planners who wanted to keep homes away from such hazardous zones, county officials said.

In federal court Friday, defense attorneys for real estate consultant Donald Davidson hoped to delve further into that 2002 controversy. Defense attorneys hoped to establish that Kenny had an incentive to push through the zone change: a significant payoff she expected from a local developer.

But Davidson's lawyer, Dominic Gentile, quickly hit a roadblock.

When Gentile questioned Kenny Friday about the zonina matter,



Kenny could not

recall the zone change or any facts surrounding the contentious debate that took place on Dec. 4, 2002.

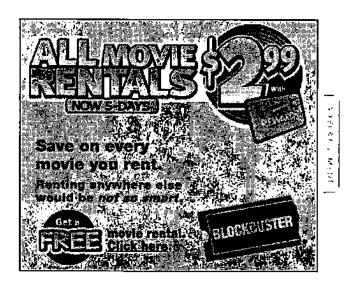
Davidson is charged with paying Kenny \$200,000 after she guided through a controversial zone change and special use permit for a CVS Pharmacy at Buffalo Drive and Desert Inn Road in 2001. He also is accused of delivering \$3,000 a month to Kenny after she voted in favor of a casino in the Spring Valley neighborhood in 2001.

At the time of the CVS proposal, Davidson was lobbying on behalf of Tommy Fehrman, a land broker in negotiations to buy the five acres at Buffalo and Desert Inn. After the zoning was changed from residential to commercial, Fehrman sold 1.5 acres to CVS Pharmacy for \$1.5 million.

Gentile contends that one year later Kenny stood to receive another \$200,000 if she successfully lobbled her colleagues to change the zoning on 32 acres at Tenaya Way and Sunset Road from commercial to residential. The land is below airport flight paths.

Gentile told jurors during his opening statements that while Davidson was involved in the CVS negotiations, he had nothing to do with Fehrman's second project under the McCarran flight paths. He suggested that since Fehrman is the common factor in both zone changes, it was Fehrman who paid Kenny the \$200,000.

Kenny's accountant, Daniel Geiger, told jurors Wednesday that he heard Kenny had expected to receive another \$200,000 one year after she received the payment for the CVS Pharmacy. He said he did not know whether the money was to be from the same source.



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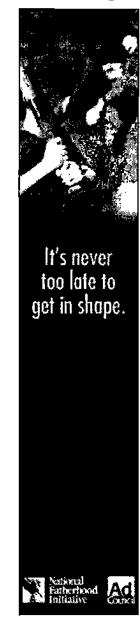
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The money never arrived because the zone change was reversed, Gentile said.

On Dec. 4, 2002, approvals by Kenny and Commissioners Dario Herrera, Mary Kincaid-Chauncey and Myrna Williams were enough to pass the zone change. But Commissioner Bruce Woodbury, who strongly opposed the project, voted along with them.



Woodbury's move was strategic. The vote in favor of the project allowed Woodbury to request that the proposal be brought back on a later agenda. He said he planned to place it on an agenda after Kenny left office in 2002.

Kenny, who testified she has suffered memory loss since an illness in late 1999, said Friday she recalled Woodbury had requested that a zoning matter be re-considered. However, she could not remember the Issue or whether it involved building homes in the airport's flight paths.

"I do not recall," Kenny said.

Former Clark County Manager Thom Reilly clearly remembered the battle that followed Woodbury's vote.

"Erin and I got into a screaming match," Reilly told the Review-Journal on Friday. "I told her she was out of control; it was bad. It was bizarre. She demanded it be placed on the next agenda."

Reilly said Kenny was known for her aggressiveness around the Clark County Government Center but he had never seen her so "wild."

"I told her, 'It doesn't make sense; what are you so wild about?' " Reilly said.

Gentile on Friday ended his cross-examination of Kenny after about 40 minutes because the former commissioner responded to few of his questions.

Kenny pleaded guilty in 2003 to pocketing cash bribes from strip club owner Michael Galardi. She signed a plea agreement and is cooperating with the federal government. If she provides substantial assistance to the prosecution she can receive a more lenient sentence.

Her memory problem came to light last year, when she testified against Kincaid-Chauncey and Herrera, who were ultimately convicted of taking bribe money from Galardi.

Kenny said she suffers from vertigo.

Local health care officials told the Review-Journal last year that it would be highly unusual for vertigo to cause memory loss. Kenny testified earlier this week that the cause of her memory loss has never been diagnosed.

While Kenny could not recall the contentious zone change she so aggressively attempted to push through in 2002, she clearly remembered details about why a CVS Pharmacy was suitable for the corner of Buffalo and Desert Inn. She told jurors that at the time of the 2001 vote, 60,000 to 80,000 vehicles traveled Desert Inn daily.



Gentile showed Kenny a copy of her commission appointment book for the month of December 2002. Kenny had a meeting scheduled with Fehrman on Dec. 3 and a second meeting on Dec. 5. Kenny said she did not remember whether she met Fehrman on the days that surrounded the zoning hearing.

Fehrman has denied any wrongdoing.

He said the only payments he made to Kenny were legitimate campaign contributions during her 2002 race for lieutenant governor.

Fehrman testified earlier this week that he paid Donald Davidson \$200,000 in "success fees" for successfully lobbying for the zone change in November 2001 and special use permits in December 2002 related to the CVS Pharmacy.

Davidson directed Fehrman to write the checks to his son, Lawrence Davidson, Fehrman said. Geiger testified that he and Lawrence Davidson later established an off-shore account to hide the illegal payments.

Also on Friday, Mark Kincaid, the son of Kincaid-Chauncey, testified that on behalf of Donald Davidson, he had asked his mother whether she supported the zone change at Buffalo and Desert Inn.

He said Davidson wrote him a check for \$1,000 on Dec. 17, 2001.

On Jan. 22, 2002 Kincald received \$10,000 from Fehrman's company. Fehrman said he issued the check at the direction of Davidson.

Kincaid testified that in the fall of 2001, Davidson asked him to question his mother about a separate project proposed by developer Jim Rhodes. Kincaid said his mother did not support the project, but Davidson still delivered \$1,000 to him.

"He said, 'This is for you to help with your bills,' " said Kincaid, who added that he did not share the money with his mother.

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# JANE ANN MORRISON: One wonders about the caliber of the advice Erin Kenny provides



JANE ANN MORRISON MORE COLUMNS With a straight face, Erin Kenny testified developer Jim Rhodes pays her more than \$200,000 a year for her "advice regarding government issues."

It was a challenge not to laugh out loud.

Does she tell him the best people to bribe? (It's pretty obvious the first place to start is with the Clark County Commission.)

Maybe she advises him on the best places for cash envelope exchanges? (International House of Pancakes, Jitters and Outback Steakhouse were among her personal

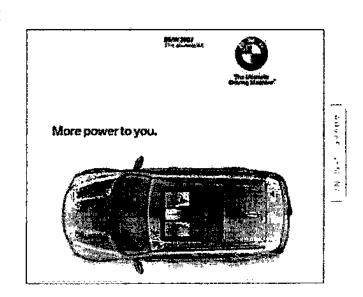
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The best accountant to use? (Daniel Geiger, a government witness himself, who now admits he prepared Kenny's false campaign donation reports and false tax returns.)

The best place to hide bribes in offshore accounts? (Cook Islands.)

Erin Kenny has a lot of valuable information.

According to Kenny's helpfully corrupt accountant, when Kenny was dipping into her campaign money for personal expenses, Geiger told her she was going to



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be short about \$100,000. So she said she told Rhodes some of his donations wouldn't show up on her campaign donation report for "Friends for Erin Kenny."

Rhodes isn't a stranger to moving campaign dollars around illegally. He broke federal law in the 2002 campaign by funneling a total of \$27,000 in corporate money through his employees to Dario Herrera's congressional campaign and Harry Reid's Senate campaign. Rhodes settled the complaint by paying a \$148,000 fine.

Kenny said Rhodes was one of the first people she called after her world came crashing down May 14, 2003, when FBI agents executed search warrants in Las Vegas and San Diego looking for further proof that strip club owner Michael Galardi was bribing politicians. That day, agents played her a snippet of a phone conversation she had with Lance Malone, a former commissioner and Galardi's bagman, now in prison.

After consulting with her attorney, Kenny testified, "My immediate reaction was to take responsibility for my bad acts."

She's been on Rhodes' payroll ever since she lost her bid for lieutenant governor and her term as county commissioner ended in January 2003. She must be a valuable employee. He started paying her \$15,000 a month and later increased it to \$16,800.

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As a county commissioner, she was paid \$54,000 a year.

Of course, that didn't count the bribe money, at least \$330,000 by her admission.

Or the campaign contributions she was illegally diverting to personal use.

She didn't report any of this to the IRS.

(The most frequent question I get is why the Internal Revenue Service doesn't go after her since she admits cheating on her taxes. Quite possibly, they have. If they have filed a civil case against her for back taxes, it's not public information, and Kenny isn't talking. Her plea agreement says no additional criminal charges can be

filed against her. But it also says she has no protection from a civil tax liability, so don't assume she won't be asked to pay back taxes owed, or perhaps already has.)

When Kenny walked into the courtroom Thursday to testify against former Triple Five Nevada Development Corp. Vice President Donald Davidson, she didn't look like she was suffering any cash shortages. Designer handbag. Brown and gold pantsuit that looked like a smart choice for a cocktail party. Look-at-me cleavage. Tasteful coiffure. Backless high heels.

She definitely didn't look cheap. She looked rather well-maintained.

Davidson is accused of paying her a \$200,000 bribe and of giving her a little folding money, \$3,000 a month payments for three years, allegedly on behalf of his boss, Eskandar Ghermezian, who denies he's the source of the cash.

Kenny's scheduled to be sentenced July 11 by U.S. District Judge Kent Dawson, a sign her testifying days are over. Here's my guess: She will be sentenced to two years in prison.

She won't serve longer than the three former county commissioners now in jail or Galardi, the source of the bribes. Mary Kincaid-Chauncey received the lightest sentence, 30 months, the same as Galardi, who pleaded guilty and cooperated. Herrera got 51 months, and Malone got the toughest sentence at six years.

When Erin Kenny gets out, most likely she can go back to work for Jim Rhodes. Beats that county commissioner's salary.

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